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Man surrenders after shooting

He had bolted garage door shut, threatened to kill himself

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

A man armed with a .45-caliber pistol shot himself through his garage door before surrendering to police after a two-hour standoff Tuesday night.

The man, a 44-year-old resident of the 3000 block of 10th Street, bolted his garage door shut and told family members he had nothing to live for before he fired a single round through the two-shot weapon through the garage, according to a police report.

But after two hours of conversation with family members and police officers, the man surrendered without harming himself or bystanders, Assistant Chief Kip Pomeroy of the Granite City police department said.

"I am very proud of the way the department does," Pomeroy said. "I am particularly proud of the officers that responded Tuesday evening to a situation that was potentially very harmful."

"The fact that the officers were able to diffuse a volatile situation with no harm to anyone makes me particularly proud."

The man barricaded himself in the family's detached garage, and he was surrounded. When his wife heard a gunshot come from the garage, she yelled to him but he told her he was just testing the gun, the wife told police.

But the man called his daughter — who had just run away from home — on a cellular telephone and told her he was going to kill himself.

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Assistant chief

police said. The daughter subsequently notified the wife and police were called, a police report states.

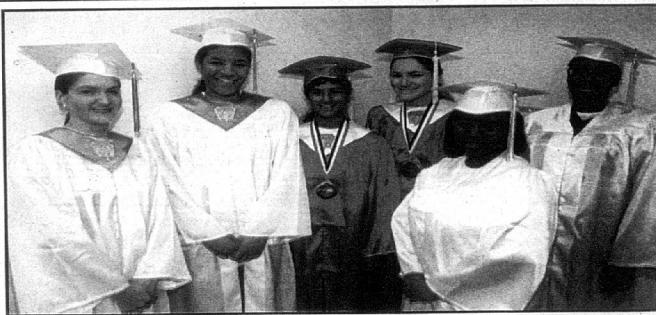
The Granite City patrolmen, a detective and police Chief Dave Ruebhausen responded to the scene, as did two units from the Madison County Sheriff's Department.

The man told a police officer he did not want to hurt officers or anyone else, but that he did not want to continue living, the report states.

A police officer familiar with the distraught man from school began to talk to him, passing cigarettes beneath the garage door to him and trying to dissuade him from firing the gun again.

After about two hours, during which time the man's wife, brother and other family members tried to talk the man into coming out, the man agreed to lay the gun down, unscrew the bolts he had used to secure the door and surrender.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Top grads — The valedictorians and salutatorians of area high schools completed their high school careers when they presented speeches to their classes with graduations. Pictured, from left, are Madison High School salutatorian Laura Peterson and valedictorian Erin Turner, Granite City coaledictorians Sangeeta Kumar and Amanda Solomon and Venice valedictorian Nikya Bowers and salutatorian Kisha Cotton. More photos on Page 8A.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Parade time — Al Bachelor, also known as "Ringo" the clown, watches as his pal "Wheeler" (Brucie Martin) fashions a paper hat for some children lining the route of the Shrine Circus Parade last week just before the floats pass by. More photos on Page 5A.

Cueto is guilty

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

Amiel Cueto sat poker-faced as he waited for the federal jury to return with a verdict just after 5 p.m. Wednesday in U.S. District Court in East St. Louis.

But the jury called his bluff and convicted the man on four counts of trying to defraud a government federal investigation into a \$54 million illegal video gambling empire in Metro East taverns.

The jury deliberated for 14 hours Tuesday and Wednesday before returning to Cueto, 48, a powerful St. Clair County attorney, guilty of one count of conspiracy to defraud the United States and four

counts of obstructing justice. Cueto was found guilty of two counts of obstructing justice and one count of conspiring to obstruct justice.

The obstruction of justice charges have a penalty of up to 10 years in prison, three years supervised release and a \$250,000 fine. The conspiracy charge carries a potential penalty of up to five years in prison, three years supervised release and a \$250,000 fine.

U.S. District Judge Stephen Limbaugh ruled that Cueto can remain free on bond until his sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 19.

"I'm obviously very happy with the verdict," U.S. Attorney Chuck Grace said at an informal press conference

after the verdict was announced. "I think this sends a message that public officials ... are subject to the law just as anyone else and that the Metro East needs to look at itself and change."

Defense attorney Ronald Jenkins hinted that the verdict would be appealed.

"There have been outstanding questions from day

Prosecutors said Cueto used his law license, money and political influence to try to distract the investigation into Tony Venecia's \$48 million illegal video gambling operation. Last year, Venecia was found guilty of racketeering and is currently serving a 15-year (See CUETO, Page 11A)

Homes could get variance

Officials hope to avoid having to raise mobile homes

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Homes in a mobile home park apparently could get a variance from federal flood plain regulations if they are near the mandatory height.

At a meeting of the Federal Emergency Management Association Committee of Pontoon Beach, Chairman Bob Vincent introduced to Beach residents and city members a letter that updated the village's position regarding flood plain regulations and funding.

The letter, which was from Nancy Bigness, a representative of the Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission, advised that variances could be made for homes located in a mobile home park where flood plain violations existed if the homes were within a few inches of complying with the flood zone.

She said, however, that before proceeding with the variances, the SIPC wanted cost estimates for raising the homes.

"We should be able to show (FEMA) that it is just not cost-effective to raise these homes," (See HOMES, Page 11A)

Students help design memorial

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

The \$12 million renovation of Granite City High School is running on schedule and within budget, school administrators say.

But to make the renovation complete, school officials are wanting to add a few unique amenities to the school to give it character.

For example, the school district is considering a proposal for the construction of an outdoor memorial where students and visitors can congregate.

The memorial would display plaques commemorating the various countries from which our ancestors came.

Another amenity being considered is a color ceramic tile floor in the recently constructed atrium near the media center. It is proposed the floor would feature a Warrior's shield.

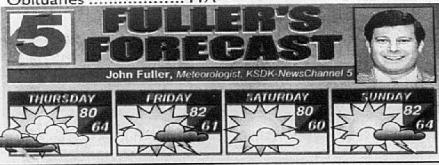
School officials would like to complete the projects without using tax dollars that could otherwise be utilized for educational purposes, said Dr. Steve Balen, superintendent.

To that end, the vocational (See MEMORIAL, Page 12A)

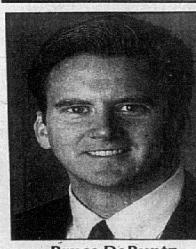
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Salute



Bruce DeRuntz

Granite City native Bruce DeRuntz was given the distinguished alumni award by Spoon River College during this year's commencement.

DeRuntz is a two-time All-American in cross country and track and received his associate's degree while attending Spoon River from 1981-83. He received his bachelor's degree from Eastern Illinois University and master's degree from Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

He is currently a project manager for the Manufacturing Extension Center at SIUC and now resides in Carbondale. He is the son of Gene and Helen DeRuntz of Granite City.

NEWS

Woman waives right to trial by a jury

Judge to decide guilt of Pontoon woman who allegedly poisoned neighbor

A Pontoon Beach woman has agreed to let a judge determine whether she is guilty of first-degree murder in the poisoning of an elderly woman in 1992.

Carolyn S. Kramer, 56, is charged in connection with the death of her long-time neighbor, 86-year-old Olive M. Apponey, on July 21, 1992. Apponey had been acquainted with Kramer and her husband for about 25 years and moved into their home about a month before she died.

Authorities became suspicious when Kramer arranged for Apponey's body to be cremated. Apponey died a day later, and an autopsy before the cremation disclosed deadly levels of codeine and doxylamine in her body. Doxylamine is a drug found in over-the-counter cold remedies.

Shortly before Apponey's death, her will was changed to make the Kramers her beneficiaries.

Kramer waived her constitutional right to a jury trial that was scheduled to begin Tuesday before Circuit Judge

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— Brian Trentman
Defense attorney

Charles Romani, defense attorney Brian Trentman told Romani that Kramer had agreed to let Romani decide the case on the basis of the written statement of the evidence agreed upon by Trentman and Madison County Assistant State's Attorney Susan Jensen, to be submitted in two weeks.

Jensen and Trentman also will submit written arguments based on their interpretations of the evidence.

Both attorneys declined to go into detail about the evidence but both said they would be

relying heavily on opinions of experts in toxicology and forensics.

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After reviewing the stipulations, the judge could convict Kramer of first-degree murder, do not convict her of lesser offense of involuntary manslaughter or acquit her of all wrongdoing in Apponey's death.

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However, committee member Lou Whitsell opposed Presswood's proposal.

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MADISON

Whitsell also recommended that Presswood contact school officials to see if children walking to school buses in the area needed a sidewalk for protection from traffic.

"And get a proposal from the responsible," he said.

Presswood said he would contact officials for figures concerning the costs of constructing a sidewalk and present them to Whitsell.

Sidewalk proposed for street

Business owners, residents complain about pedestrians

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Pontoon Beach Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Randy Presswood says Lake Drive, which is located near a skating rink and a funeral home, needs a sidewalk.

Commercial businesses and residents are complaining that people walk across their lawns because they don't have a sidewalk.

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Park district officers elected

The Granite City Park District board of commissioners elected officers for the 1997-98 fiscal year at its regular May meeting.

Commissioner Ron Parente was elected president of the board. Parente is a lifelong Granite City resident and employed by the city of Granite City at its regional wastewater treatment plant.

Other officers and members of the park board are: Ron Motil, vice president; George Sykes, treasurer; Billie Schuler, secretary; Eric Robertson, attorney; and Dave Dombek, director.

He attended Maryville High School and Granite City High School.

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OPINION

CAROL'S COMMENTS

Sometimes, system works

As I write this column, the jury begins hearing testimony and arguments in the penalty phase of the case in which, they returned a "guilty" verdict on all but one of the charges.

By now, we should know whether they have agreed on either the death penalty or life imprisonment with parole, or whether that decision will be made by the judge.

However, these comments are not about McVeigh's sentence but about the conduct of the trial. It was a sharp contrast to the O.J. Simpson trial, instead of ballyhoo, phone theatrics and irresponsible sensationalism, federal courtroom in Denver was a model of decorum and professionalism. No televised coverage, no interviews outside the courtroom, no cameras, no reporters representing either side.

Unlike the oft-bemused Justice Lance Ito, U.S. District Judge George Bassett, Jr., was a true sportsman, a fair and impartial judge, a good sport and attorney for both prosecution and defense followed suit.

No rambling, bumbling, wrangling, or puttering. The prosecution presented its case as concisely and simply as possible and defense did the best it could with what was available to it.

Because federal courts bar television cameras, they had to go it the old-fashioned way, and like newspapers, TV had to limit itself to artistic, but not dramatic, but, in my opinion, much more to be desired.

Perhaps this restriction on visuals was responsible for what seemed to me to be a



Carol
Clarkin

hint of criticism in Tom Brokaw's somewhat ambiguous remarks on the case during the evening NBC news June 2.

Around noon Monday, I caught a news report on the car radio that the jury was still out and some 200 family members and friends of the victims attending the trial, were camping at the bit because a verdict had not yet been reached.

This disturbed me somewhat. Why a demand for haste, especially since the jury had only been deliberating since 10 a.m. and there were no out testimonies to review but a separate counts to consider?

It's hard to imagine a more horrible act of terrorism than the April bombing of the Murrah Federal Building and it's certainly easy to understand the grief and anger of the surviving families and friends of the 168 people who died that day in Oklahoma City.

But to consider fewer than three full days as too long for the jury to reach a verdict in Denver seems to me to be a disquieting desire for a rush to judgment.

The 12 men and women of the jury seem committed for fulfilling their obligations seriously and in demonstrating that, at least sometimes, the system of law works.

'Feminist' is not a dirty word

By Mary Buetner

I'm not a feminist, but feminist has become a dirty word. I've heard people say things like, "I'm not a feminist, but I think women make better doctors than men because women seem to care more." Or, "I'm not a feminist, but I vote for women because they tend to work harder and to be more sensitive to the needs of the community."

Well, if you talk like that, you're more than a feminist. You're not beyond a feminist. Let me explain.

Just as a philanthropist believes in humanitarian purposes and a realist believes in facts, a feminist believes in women. A feminist woman can do anything.

There's nothing wrong with being a feminist. There's nothing wrong with that message. You believe women are better or smarter than men, or that you're not macho if you're a male feminist. On the contrary, I believe that all people should have an equal shot at the world regardless of their gender.

I am a feminist and here is my reason:

I believe my niece has as much right to be a neurosurgeon or fighter pilot as my nephew has to be an elementary school teacher.

I believe my niece, if she marries, has the right to keep her name or to change it.

I believe my nephew, if he marries, has the right to keep his name or to change it.

I believe that if my niece and nephew grow up to be engineers working for the same company, their wives should be paid the same, even if my niece marries a wealthy neurosurgeon and my nephew marries a homemaker who helps him raise five children.

If all this sounds reasonable to you (and even if it doesn't) you may be a feminist and not a sexist.

I consider my father to be a feminist although I doubt he would use the word to describe himself. When my brother and sister and I were young, my father bought us a motorcycle

and encouraged my sister and me to learn to ride. It just isn't true as he encouraged my brother. My father believes that people should know how to operate a clutch regardless of gender.

If we were going to wear out a clutch in the learning process, he preferred it be on an inexpensive motorcycle rather than a more expensive piece of farm equipment.

My brother, too, is a feminist. He's big and strong and macho, all that, but, he doesn't keep him from doing dishes and making dinner for himself and his wife.

Think of all he'd miss if he limited his male activities to hunting, trap trapping, he couldn't help decorate the house he built or plant flowers in the yard he created.

Even if you don't like the term feminist, it's hard not to be one in today's world. What parents or teachers today would discourage their daughter or son from taking math classes, taking math classes, as my mother was discouraged to do?

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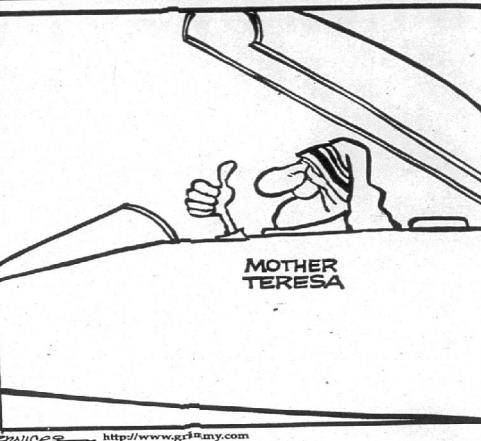
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reporting went too far

TO THE EDITOR:

This is a report to the article and/or articles that were reported to the general public on the recent passing of Debbie Saltich. It was an acquaintance and friend of Debbie's who just wanted to give my opinion of the articles in general.

Yes, it is wonderful that we live in America, you know, the land of the free and the brave, where we have many privileges, some of those being freedom of speech, expression, and of course, freedom of the press.

Press reports can sometimes make you want to cry, and at times can be exaggerated and untrue, but they have to sell papers to continue operating and informing the public what is going on.

In Debbie's case, it was human, hurtful, sad and unfair. Her family and close friends knew everything that had to be known and did not have to ask. For the people who know her any other way, certain things were not of their business.

Debbie should be remembered as a good, decent girl who worked harder than most people could even imagine.

Her capacity for organization, leadership and productivity obvious was outstanding as was her compassion for her surrounding public who cared for her very much.

She was the first to offer help or donations for any worthwhile charity or organization. Her future was to be reckoned with. I believe she was destined to go even further in her political career and she deserved that and more.

But she had problems, imagine that, right? Anyone that pretends they do not have problems are in denial or just common lying fools. So to you, Miss Debbie, I hope you are soaring with the eagles these days and at peace.

In short, in the name of decency we should all have a kind word for Debbie. And now do you think her family and those who were closest to her can now lay her down to sleep?

CARMEN CONSUELO COOK
Granite City

The saga of Mary Rowden

TO THE EDITOR:

The Saga of Mary Rowden:

Mary Rowden gave up the

position of Deputy Village

Clerk because of stress, but

she got paid thousands of dol-

lars because of that stress,

she got paid for months of

work she didn't do, in order to

receive her retirement. And

then she got paid more and

more for Village Clerk, the

office that caused her stress in

the first place, and won

her back sympathy for "Poor

Old Mary Rowden."

And now that her co-horts

have lost the election, big

time, I might add, she's play-

ing the public and our biased

paper for sympathy again. She told the public she and her family took over her work and her office. What she didn't tell you is that in order to make room for everybody, the village is getting bids for the use of the building downstairs and the police department upstairs, and what we really need is a new building.

And plus that, she told several people she was glad that she was relieved of work and Mike Macke had lost. By the way, I worked on the presses at the *Granite City Press-Record* with several reporters who were unbiased and got both sides of the story.

JIM HILL
Pontoon Beach

Aid sought for nesting boxes

TO THE EDITOR:

Many of my readers will recall when the government building in Oklahoma was bombed, our committee raised money and a bluebird box was hand-delivered by one of the committee members to the Catholic bishop and Baptist minister in their city for assistance to the families of the victims.

Now we are turning once again to the citizens of Metro East to support our program to install the 100 bluebird nesting boxes along the extended MetroLink trail.

The fund has been launched with contributions from the Sigma Club, several blueshirt owners and one generous commercial company, which prefers to remain anonymous. Thanks to you and the \$280 you gave, we are off to a good start.

For those of you who are environmentalists and/or bluebird lovers, please send your checks to the new UMB Bank in Swansea at 2609 N. Main St. or the unincorporated at 1802 W. Adams in Belleville. Both are in 62226.

Time also to recognize Stefanie J. of Millstadt for her fine work with the bluebirds. She has been at it a long time and is probably a "better bluebirder" than myself and is probably the one who she cherishes the most. On the way to her teaching position or on the way home. She is a record keeper and sends vital information such as when they laid their first egg, when the babies fledged, etc., to Cornell University where all data on the bluebirds is kept and recorded.

Tom Hayden handles the Collinsville area, and Lloyd Wilson is the Alton area bluebirder. All around the state are more people involved in bluebird raising, including the newly established chapter of the Audubon Society with Tom May as its head master.

So, as we all know, though we have another cold, blustering wet spring on our hands (three in a row), bluebird activity is limited, so we hope the coming warm weather will warm up enough where they feel it is safe once more to raise their babies.

Thanks for your consideration.

W. C. WILSON

Collinsville, Ill.

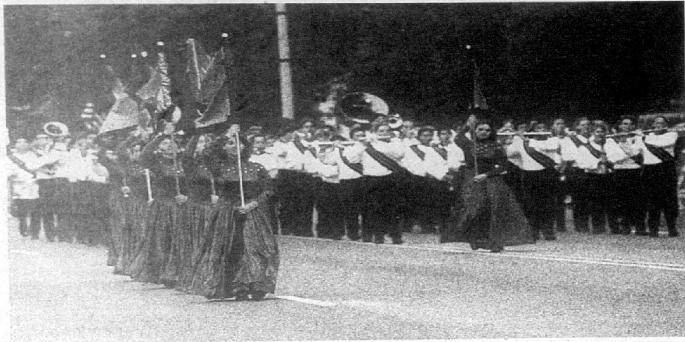
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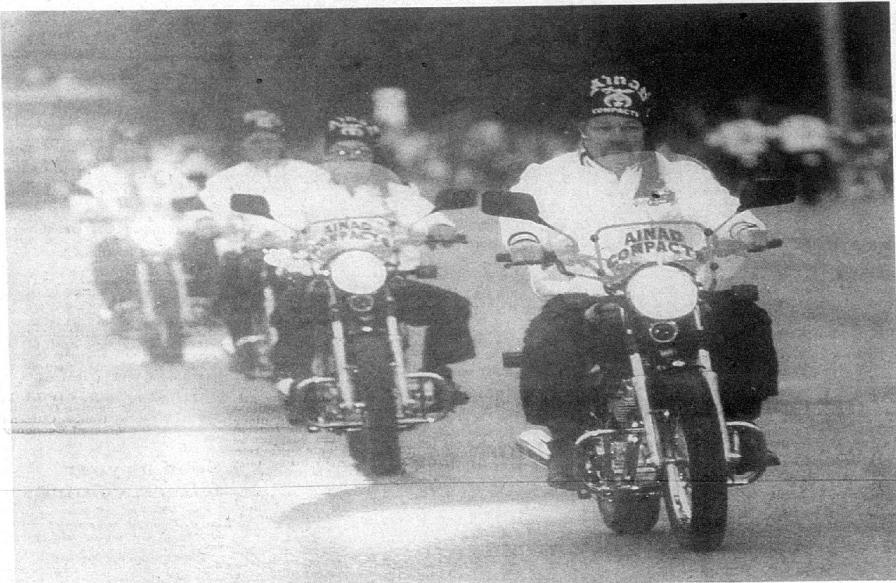
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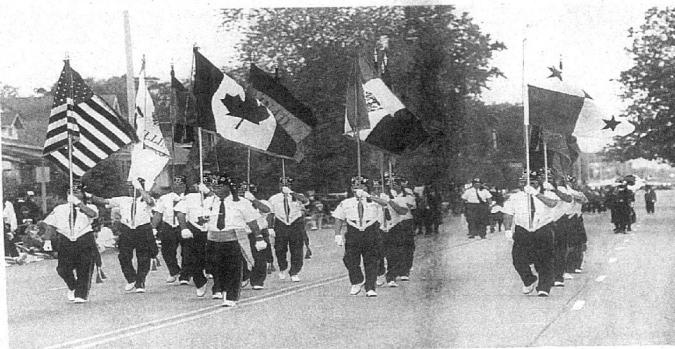


Shriner's parade



The Ainad Shrine Circus Parade — complete with clowns, marching bands and motorcycle-riding Shriners — rolled through Granite City June 4. At top left, the Granite City High School color guard and marching band makes its way down Madison Avenue ... Top right, children wave from the Thomas Mortuary float ... Above, Elyssa Dixon, 7, wears the tissue paper hat which "Wheeler" the clown made for her.

At far right, the Shriners' color guard marches past the viewing stand set up in the parking lot of the Eagles' Hall on Madison Avenue ... Right, Amanda Ordom, 4, of Granite City checks with her mother to see if it is OK to pick up candy thrown from floats passing in the Shrine Circus Parade while Deanna Tucker, 3, of Pontoon Beach, and Patrick Lawson, 6, of Madison watch the parade ... Lower right, three Cub Scouts from Maryville School carry their banner ... Lower far right, Amanda



Miller, 10, and her brother CJ, 3, watch and wait for the parade's arrival. CJ came dressed for the parade with a fez saved from last year.



**Staff photos
by JOHN FRESE**

Pitch In!

A circular logo with a double-lined border. The top half of the border contains the words "GIVE OUR" in a bold, sans-serif font. The bottom half contains "KIDS" in a larger, stylized font where the "K" and "I" are connected. A thick black horizontal bar crosses the center, with "A BREAK" written in white capital letters. Below this bar, another thick black horizontal bar contains the words "DRIVE SAFELY!" in white capital letters.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. Elizabeth
honor roll

St. Elizabeth School is proud to announce the fourth quarter honor roll. The following students have achieved this distinction:

Fourth grade: Jennifer Agoain, Dennis Agosta, Avery Gandy, Tyler Gandy, Morgan Gaudich, Alex Gschaff, Lauren Goodrich, Frank Holmes, Hannah Kutoski, Steven Lickens, Brian Lohman, Michael Mester, Laura Mills, Susan Rakowicz, Natalie Ruesing, Mark Ryan, Lauren Smith, Jennifer Whitt and Alex Willard.

Fifth grade: Erica Carney, James Crain, Ryan Goske, Jake Hartwick, Michael Higginson, William Hupp, Lindsey Richard, Michael Shandor and Matt Skoklo.

Sixth grade: Jason Ayran, Andy Blum, Gabe Clegg, Trisha Dittmeier, Julie Dombek, Frank Dorris, Kelly Harris, Kathi Hatzsch, Andrea Higginson, Michael Hupp, Tiffany Rath, Abigail Shandor and Laura Stanfill.

Seventh grade: Jeffre Blackard, Brian Brinkmann, Nathan Gaudreault, Jennifer Hay, Steve Kamadulis, Jerry Koskie, William Kutoski, Jerry Mullen, Tony Ruesing and Jerry Weiler.

Eighth grade: Laura Blankenship, Jonathan Frisko, Nick Gandy, Sean Jackson, Michael Mester, Andy MacTaggart, Ghassan Mohsen, Lisa Morrison, Lauren Puscok and Kyle Whitehead.

GCHS seniors
pre-register
at school

Granite City High School seniors Steven C. Mathes and Amanda M. Rohay were among a large group of incoming freshmen who completed the pre-registration process April 26 and signed up for fall semester classes at Illinois College.

They will join more than 200 new students on the Jacksonville campus for the start of the new term in late August. The Liberal Arts College expects to enroll more than 900 men and women.

Mathes, who plans to major in sociology, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Mathes of Granite City.

Rohay, who plans to major in pre-medicine, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rohay of Granite City.

Eight graduating seniors at Granite City High School were recipients of Granite City Federation of Teachers Local 743 scholarships, announced May 14.

Each student received a \$500 grant. Each has an outstanding grade point average and is involved in school and community service.

It is the 34th year that the local has awarded scholarships to GCHS graduating seniors.

— **Amanda Cappuccio** — She is president of student council, a member of National Honor Society, a participant in many school activities and an Illinois State Scholar. She is planning to major in advertising and public relations at Southeast Missouri State University. She said in her application that "Teaching is not just considered a job but a mission."

— **Brenda Fritzsche** — She is co-captain of the school bowl team, a member of National Honor Society and an Illinois State Scholar. She plans to major in pharmacology at Butler University. "Without teacher care and support, I would not be where I am today," she wrote.

— **Chad Kleindorfer** — He is a member of National Honor Society.



Joanna Webb of Granite City, who graduated Cum Laude.

— **Melanie Gensert** — She played on the girls' basketball team and was on the yearbook staff. She was in National Honor Society and was an Illinois State Scholar. She plans to major in pharmacology at Butler University. "Without teacher care and support, I would not be where I am today," she wrote.

— **Robert Lampitt** — He was varsity captain of the cross country team, a member of National Honor Society, an Illinois State Scholar and an Eagle Scout. He plans to study computer science at the University of Illinois. "All my teachers have taught me that learning is something I want to do, not something I have to do," he wrote.

— **Amanda Solomon** — She is co-president of National Honor Society, an Illinois State Scholar, captain of the debate team and a member of many clubs and organizations.

— **Sangeeta Kumar** — She is co-president of National Honor Society, an Illinois State Scholar and a member of many clubs and organizations. She plans to study pre-medical engineering at the University of Notre Dame. "Nothing is more powerful than knowledge," she wrote. "Consequently I look at my education as a gift on which to build my future."



Sangeeta Kumar

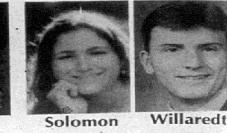
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The Granite City Scholarship Foundation presented \$1,000 scholarships to each of these 29 graduating seniors from Granite City High School.

Webb graduates from WIU

More than 300 students were recognized for undergraduate academic achievement at Western Illinois University during the May 16 academic honors convocation.

Students were recognized in college, departmental and honors scholars as well as Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Summa Cum Laude graduates. Students received medallions, which they wore at the May 17 commencement exercises.

Joanna Webb of Granite City graduated Cum Laude, honors scholar.

The honors scholar is presented to students in the university honors program who complete honors curricula in their major department or college and achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.40 on a 4.0 scale for both honors and cumulative course work.

Cum Laude graduates must have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours at WIU and attained a cumulative grade point average from 3.30 to 3.59 on a 4.0 scale.



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Foundation awards 29 scholarships

Twenty-nine Granite City High School seniors were awarded \$1,000 scholarships by the Granite City Scholarship Foundation at the school's annual senior recognition ceremony May 29.

It was the largest number of scholarships distributed to a graduating class by the foundation since its inception in 1965.

"In its first year of operation, the scholarship foundation awarded two scholarships in the amount of \$500 each," said Bob Maxwell, foundation member.

He said overwhelming community support has enabled the foundation to offer an increasing number of scholarships in greater amounts.

Since its inception, the foundation has awarded about 710 scholarships to graduates of GCHS, amounting to almost half a million dollars. Recipients are chosen on the basis of financial need, purpose in pursuing collegiate education and ability.

"Many local businesses and organizations have generously supported the scholarship foundation throughout the years. Mr. Maxwell's vision, leadership and commitment should be the community is behind the students."

Recipients of scholarships this year are:

Stephanie Brandt, Amanda Crabtree, Mark Dillman, Elizabeth Fritzsche, Sarah Haddix, Andrew Harris, Andrew Jones, Thomas Kahl, Daniel Kratzer, Rachel Kulazas, Sangeeta Kumar, Robert Lampitt, Amanda Marzola, Jason Matson, Elizabeth McKeon, Rachel Mcloyd, Connie Meyers, John Mills, Michelle Montgomery, Brad Neidhardt, Kristy Nigelli, Angela Ochoa, Andrew Oney, Amanda Solomon, Danielle Stern and Amelia Tag.

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Bob Maxwell of the scholarship foundation presents an award to co-vedictorian Sangeeta Kumar.

Women: Charles E. and Jacquelyn King; Calvo and Matyka; Chemetco; Coyle Mechanical; Glik's; Granite City Centennial Corp.; Granite City Rotary Club; Granite City Steel Employees and Community Federal Credit Union; Granite City Steel Industries; Kahl's; Illinois Power Co.; Irwin Chapel; Knights of Columbus; Koettling Ford; Magna Bank; McFarland Heating and Cooling; Mexican Honoraria Commission; Mexican Honoraria Commission; Aurora; Mervin's Women's Club; Maurice Minks; National Steel Corp.; Prairie Farms Dairy; Providence Health Services Inc.; Erie and Marie Robertson School District No. 9 Credit Union; Tri-City Bar Association; Weber Chevrolet; and Zelenka & Associates.

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NEWS



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Donation — The Knights of Columbus Auxiliary recently donated \$1,000 to the van of the Pregnancy Aid Center. Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Treasurer and President Barbara Bronnbauer hands the check over to PAC Van Director Mary Jane Hoenig and volunteer Connie Balleen. The van is a mobile unit used by the Pregnancy Aid Center to assist pregnant women in obtaining prenatal care and medical attention for infants.



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South Side rapist still elusive, faceless

By Ellen Ellick
Staff writer

The rapist struck first on a fine fall night in 1988, a night when, in line at Ted Drewes Frozen Custard, south St. Louis talked of the new school year, of football season and perhaps of the presidential race between George Bush and Michael Dukakis.

It was the year that fires carved chaos through Yellowstone Park, the year that Brandon, Mo. started calling itself the new country western capital.

And sometime during the night of Dec. 12 that year, a rapist crawled in through a broken window in the 6900 block of Chippewa in what was then — and still is today — a peaceful, picture-perfect neighborhood.

Almost a month later, he entered another south St. Louis bedroom near Arsenal Street and South Kingshighway. But he left, and he did not rape again. Then he went away — or didn't rape again — until March 20, 1992, when he broke into another home a few blocks from that of his last 1988 victim.

It would be almost seven years before police connected those 1988 rapes and the 1992 rape, both known to be committed by the same South Side rapist. That connection came in early 1995 when a task force of law enforcement officials from the St. Louis area began reviewing earlier unsolved rapes and found the DNA evidence linking the 1988 rapes to the man responsible for a growing number of sexual assaults in the St. Louis area.

Before that discovery, police had looked at 1992 as the starting point. That year he earned his name and fame, breaking into homes and raping six women in south St. Louis between March 20 and May 22. It was the year of the presidential campaign, this time with Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton as the Democratic front-runner and Ross Perot as the improbable spoiler. Little was the current world hot spot: karaoke was the craze and "Les Misérables" was playing at the Fox.

And then, inexplicably, about the time that his growing bold

ness seemed certain to lead to mistakes and arrest, the rapist disappeared again. It would be more than two years before he struck again, and when he did, he would seek out new and distinctive victims, while never completely abandoning south St. Louis. From Oct. 29, 1994 until now, he has raped in Missouri, in St. Charles, Lemont, Alton, south St. Louis County, Kirkwood, and south St. Louis, and in Illinois in Collinsville.

The official tally is almost 20. The unofficial tally could be much higher, since many rapes are unreported.

St. Louis Police Lt. Mary Warnecke is heading an investigation that has plowed through hundreds of tips, theories and suspects and then sifted again and again through the most tenuous and tiniest of

leads. And yet the rapist remains elusive and truly faceless, the profiles of him could fit several men in every block in south St. Louis: white, 5 feet 7 inches to 6 feet tall, age 25 to 42, light to dark brown hair, clean-cut muscular build, showing some beer belly, maybe a mustache.

The often exhausting investigation has left Warnecke no less determined — maybe more intensely so.

"We will catch him. There's no doubt about it. We've caught several rapists in the past. We'll catch him and we'll convict him," she said.

Since a May rape near Lloyd and Hampton avenues, police have increased night patrols, the police hoping to catch the rapist before he strikes again. Warnecke doesn't think he'll stop on his own.

"He'll stop when we catch him," she said.

But who is he ... and how does he select his victims?

Warnecke said if police knew the answer, they'd be closer to answering the first question. So far, they have found no definitive connections between the victims. Their ages range from 22 to 28. Although all are white, they don't share similar coloring, size or other characteristics. They don't hold similar jobs or work in the same location or belong to the same organizations.

Of course, theories abound. The rapist is a predator. And like any other predator, he may find his hunting grounds anywhere people gather — restaurants, movie theaters, shopping centers, parks. He may follow potential victims to their homes. He may then select only those in business, those who enter with minimal force, only those homes he thinks he can slip away from unnoticed, to a car, waiting a few feet away. He may avoid victims with sizable dogs or husbands of any size. He may watch his victim for some time, waiting for the right moment, the right night. Or, as one officer said, "He might pick the house first. We just don't know."

Warnecke said police have focused extensively on the areas where the rapist did not strike in the St. Louis area. They have checked all Missouri prison releases between 1986 and 1992, the four-year period when the rapist did not strike. They have also tried to connect the quiet years here with military actions elsewhere, thinking that the right men have been called up for active duty in the Missouri National Guard. In fact, the Gulf War occurred during one of the quiet years.

"We came up with suspects, but not the right suspect," Warnecke said.

There are other possible explanations for the missing years.

"We've always kept in mind that he might have been a teenager when he began," Warnecke said. "He might have joined the armed forces ... or gone to college. 'We think he does have some education,' she said.

Or could the rapist have left St. Louis because of a job or a job transfer. Or a job or a transfer could have brought him here and then taken him away again. He may not have been a teen when he started, either. Some of his first victims described him as being 20 to 22.

Whatever his age then or now, Warnecke believes someone in south St. Louis knows or suspects his identity. "He definitely has a connection here," she said.

She said police receive up to 100 tips a week during times when the rapist is in the news. When he is not, they continue to receive two or three tips a week.

Of course, some tips are more useful than others. Warnecke advises people to forget about the artist's sketch that many have seen. Police now say that illustration is probably no longer accurate, if it ever was.

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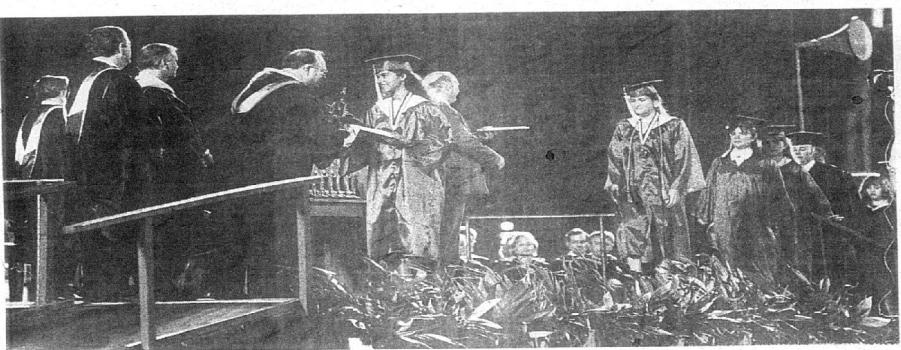
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Above, Lucette Brooks sings the Star Spangled Banner to her Madison High School graduating class ... At right, GCHS co-vedaledictorian Amanda Solomon delivers her speech to the graduates of the class of 1997 ... At far right, GCHS graduate Lisa Badgett comes down from the stage with her diploma.

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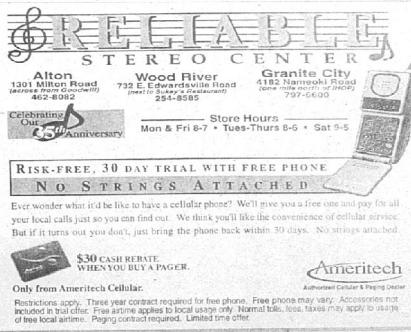
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OBITUARIES

Capt. Eugene "Gene" Eugene "Gene" Carr, 73, of Troy, formerly of Granite City, died at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, 1997, in his residence following a month-long illness.

Born Jan. 29, 1924, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, he was the son of Carl and Mabel (Hansen) Masters, raised in Mountain View, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 40 years prior to moving to Troy in 1993.

Mr. Carr, a retired Granite City Steel as a crane operator, was a member of First Baptist Church of Maryville and the stoneworkers.

Survivors include three sons: Ronald Carr of West Richland, Wash.; Richard Carr of Granite City and Carl Carr of Troy; two daughters: Jean Chowning of Mountain View, Mo., and Susan Masters, living in Granite City; two grandsons; Michael and Brian Masters; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nellie A. (Robison) Carr, whom he married June 28, 1962, and who died Sept. 4, 1988; his parents, Walter and Zula (Foster) Carr; one sister, Margaret (Carr) Masters of Mountain View, Mo.; and Viola Henry of Mountain View, Mo., one brother, Wayne Carr of Coffeyville, Kan.; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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Clair, Fairview Heights, at 9:30 a.m. today, Thursday, June 12, for a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Belleville with the Revs. James H. Jansen and Andrew Knopik officiating. Burial will be at St. Adalbert's Cemetery, Fairview Heights.

Master Stephen C. STEPHEN C. MASTERS, 43, of Colma, Calif., died on June 10, 1997, in his residence following a month-long illness.

Survivors include his wife, Mary M. (Beaver) Hunt, whom he married in 1984; two sons, Bill and LaDon Hunt; two daughters, Cheryl Williams of Long Beach, Calif.; two brothers, Richard Masters of Colma and Robert Masters of Mountain View; his maternal grandmother, Vern Laquemont of Belthito; and his paternal grandmother, Lucy Laquemont of Colma.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Helen Fern (Laquemont) Masters.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Sunday, June 15, at Haidas Funeral Home, 515 Vandale, Colma.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 16, at Haidas Funeral Home with the Rev. Tom Flach officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights.

Arrangements are pending at Wadsworth Chapel for Funeral, 797-1000.

Carbon New Bethel Methodist Church with the Rev. Michael Smith officiating. Burial will be in Carbon Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to Carbon New Bethel Methodist Church.

Hunt, George G.

GEORGE G. HUNT, 71, of Granite City died at 8:49 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, at his residence following a month-long illness.

Mr. Hunt was an owner/operator of Dolles' Nite Club in Washington Park, managed by Clark Gau Sation;

attempting to persuade St. Clair County State's Attorney to indict Robinson, whom Cueto accused of attempting to bribe and filing false pleadings in Venezuela's criminal case.

During the trial, witnesses testified that Cueto had 15 of St. Clair County judges "in his pocket." One focus of the charges against Cueto was a 1992 hearing in St. Clair County Circuit Court in which Robinson was forced to testify with Cueto since he had no business ties to Cueto since he sold his

•Cueto

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Jenkins had argued that Cueto was simply vigorously defending his client, Venezuela, and had no knowledge of the illegal racket.

Specifically, Cueto was convicted of defrauding the government to protect the racket for his own personal gain, filing false pleadings in a civil lawsuit brought against Bonds Robinson, the state attorney who controlled commission agent who ran a gambling operation.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran and of the Protestant faith.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary M. (Beaver) Hunt, whom he married in 1984; two sons, Bill and LaDon Hunt; two daughters, Cheryl Williams of Granite City; one sister, Beverly Johnson of Granite City; and five grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 14, at Wadsworth Chapel for Funeral, 797-1000.

Bible school at 1st Baptist begins Jun 23

First Baptist Church, 21st and Delmar Avenues, is inviting all local children to this year's Vacation Bible School, "The Good News Standard."

VBS will run from 6 to 8 p.m. June 23-27 and will include stories, crafts, snacks and music.

Children entering grades 1-12 are welcome to attend.

•Rapist

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es late at night or who may have been away from this area during the times when the rapist was not active, she said. Think of those who may have the opportunity to scout out victims and neighborhoods throughout the greater St. Louis area.

Warnecke said although police do not talk to anyone who thinks he or she is the identity of the rapist, tipsters can remain anonymous. "We don't trace calls," she said.

What they will do is follow any tip that might bring an end to a trail of rapes that began almost nine years ago.

Police have also studied the backgrounds of South Side residents and have studied probation and parole records and have checked all registered sex offenders in the areas where rapes have occurred.

They also have considered that the rapist may be someone without a police record, someone with a responsible job, someone who not only looks like the guy next door but is the guy next door.

Throughout it all, Warnecke never stops thinking about the victims of all those rapes. Although some of the women are doing better than others, Warnecke said of them all, "They're never the same. They're still traumatized by the event."

Bible school at Temple Baptist

Temple Baptist Church, 1900 Harris Avenue, Madison, will be hosting a Vacation Bible School Sign-Up Party, Saturday, June 14, from 2-4 p.m. Refreshments, games, crafts, and information about VBS 1997. For information call 667-7004.

OBITUARIES

BARTON, NORMA M., 72, of Pontoon Beach died at 6:15 a.m. Sunday, June 8, 1997, at her residence following a seven-year illness.

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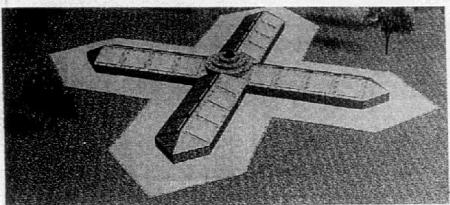
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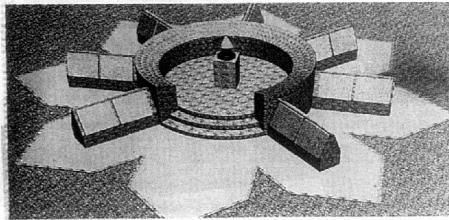
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Students designed these proposals for the GCHS immigrant memorial wall.



• Memorial

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drafting class recently held a design competition for the immigrant memorial wall. All the plans were designed by high school students utilizing computers, and incorporate a design oriented directly north, south, east and west signifying the four corners of the Earth. Each design incorporates the slogan: "From the Earth to the Cross, the Earth to the Cross" and the American Education—Foundation for Freedom—Beacon of Hope."

The designs also include the bell from the old Washington School, which the district has saved in storage for many years. It is hoped that the wall can be erected with funds donated from individuals and organizations in the community—especially ethnic organizations such as the Mexican Honorary Society or the Italian-American Club, Balen said.

Surrounding the wall will be a brick patio with family names inscribed on the brick pavers coming from the old school, which were students graduated from Granite City High School. The bricks would be sold to individuals for a donation, and all funds would be used for an improvement project at the high school, such as an all-weather track, Balen said.

Those wishing to make a contribution or suggestion should call Balen at 451-5808.

Students are attempting to raise funds for the Warrior head floor tile, said Linda Ames, student council sponsor.

The cost is projected at \$6,000. Various clubs are initiating fund raising projects, coordinated by Student Council, Ames said.

Students are currently selling car wash tickets and another fund raiser is planned for the fall. Anyone wishing to help out or make a donation should call Ames at the high school, 451-5808.

SIUE center to offer management courses

The Small Business Development Center at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville will offer additional short management courses during June. Workshops will meet at University Park in Room 1132. Workshops, dates and fees include:

Using Computers in a Small Business—Information helpful in managing your business more efficiently and effectively; 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 11; fee \$50.

The Market Planning Guide—Learn to create a marketing edge for your business; 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12, 19 and 26; \$60 fee includes book, "Market Planning Guide."

How to Start a Business—6:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday, June 16, 23 and 30; \$60 fee includes book, "Steps to Small

Business Start Up," with information forms and work sheets needed for business startup and development of a successful operation.

Small Business Tax Issues—Taught by a certified accountant; 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 25; \$60 fee includes book, "Keeping the Books."

For more information about the workshops, locations and registration, call Jane Bagnet at 692-2929.

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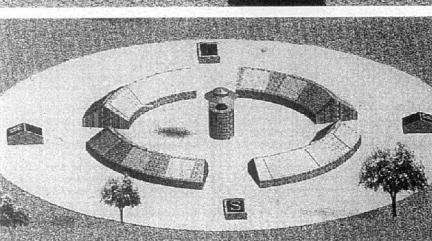
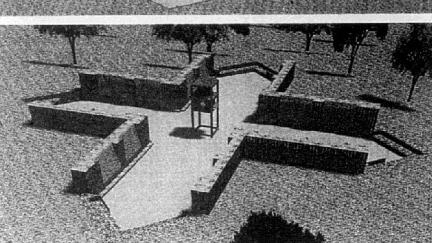
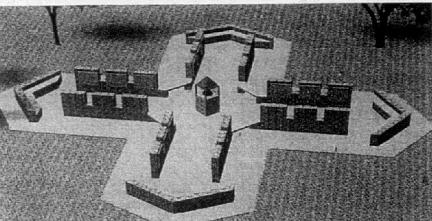
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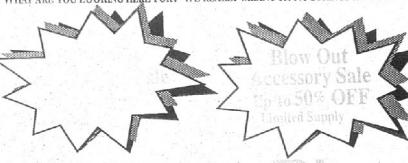
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Police will race for Special Olympics

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Nearly 2,500 law enforcement officers will be covering 1,500 miles across the state of Illinois next week.

On Monday, the annual Illinois Special Olympics Torch Run will kick off and head toward O'Fallon.

The participating officers will represent every branch of the law enforcement community from the local to the state level. Each department is to raise funds for the Special Olympics through various events.

Sgt. Jeff Wild, chairman of the O'Fallon run.

Donations have also been received from the departments for Special Olympics, Wild said.

Wild said he expects between 40 to 50 law enforcement officials to run the 114 miles of the O'Fallon leg of the run. The event will kick off at 8 a.m. on Tuesday at Hart Food and Drug, 907 E. Highway 50 in O'Fallon.

For more information on the event, call the O'Fallon Police Department at 624-4545.

Ceremonies will include local and state dignitaries, along with law enforcement officials. In addition, several local police departments will be represented, including Fairview Heights, Swansea, Collinsville, Maryville, Highland, Greenville and the DuPage County Sheriff's Department.

From Hart Food and Drug, the torch will be carried west on Highway 50 to South Lincoln Avenue, northbound on South Lincoln Avenue to State Street; westbound on State Street to Highway 50; and continue west to Old Collinsville Road.

From southbound Old Collinsville Road, the torch will be carried to Lebanon Avenue, west on Lebanon Avenue to Route 161, and northbound on Highway 159. Once northbound, the runners will pass through Swansea, Fairview Heights, Collinsville, Maryville and into Edwardsville.

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'46 Red Sox knew curse of Haefner

After paying tribute to Mickey Haefner, the former major league baseball pitcher who died in 1986, I wrote a page of 52 I thought I had written my last about the crafty left-handed knuckleballer from New Albany.

That changed last week upon receiving a Society of American Baseball Research publication, *The National Pastime*, that included an article entitled "The Curse of Mickey Haefner."

My eulogy noted that Haefner was part of baseball's only four-man dominated knuckleballing school, one that included himself, Dutch Leonard, Roger Wolff (of Chester) and Johnny Niggeling, with the Washington Senators.

Yet, I had heard the story of Haefner, in a way, being responsible for the demise of the Boston Red Sox in the 1946 World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. Just how did a Senator have something to do with the Series best remembered for Enos Slaughter's blast from the heights in a base hit?

The answer rests in the fact that when the National League season ended, the Cards and Brooklyn Dodgers were tied and had to play a best-of-three series to determine which team would play Boston in the World Series.

Rather than stay idle, Boston officials decided to play their own three-game series against a group of American League stars, including Haefner, who had compiled a 14-11 record and a 2.82 earned run average for the fourth-place team.

Among the other stars were Hank Greenberg of Detroit and DiMaggio of New York, while the pitching staff included Hal Newhouser, Dizzy Trout and Stubby Overmire of Detroit, and Eddie Lopat and Joe Page of New York.

Of those pitchers, only Trout was right-handed, since the Red Sox were destined to face left-handed dominating starters from either Brooklyn or St. Louis, including Harry Heen and Howie Pollet.

In the first game of the Boston-stars series, though, Haefner ended the "curse" by facing a team that had roared to a 104-50 record and today is considered among the best post-War teams.

The leader, of course, was Ted Williams, who had hit .348 with 38 home runs and 122 runs batted in as he aimed for his first and only World Series appearance.

In the fifth inning of what became a Red Sox win in Boston, Williams came to the plate after a single by Don DiMaggio and studied Haefner, the 5-foot-8, 180-pound native of Lenzburg.

Of Haefner's first pitch, Williams was quoted as saying, "When the ball was halfway to me, I saw that it was spinning so I got set to belt the curve. Then I saw it wasn't going to curve. It was sort of tucked in my shoulder and took the pitch on the elbow."

The ball hit Williams' right elbow joint in such a way that it swelled up like a balloon. Despite his best effort and diathermy baths, Williams was not at full strength during the Series and had just five singles in 25 at-bats with one RBI as the Cards won in seven games.

In addition to righting St. Louis, Haefner's name included Musial, Moore, and Schoendienst, but in Boston mention of Haefner was linked to the curse that kept the Red Sox from a Series title.

EXTRA INNINGS: Among the positives of SIU-Edwardsville's recent trek to the NCAA Division II baseball finals was that two walk-ons, pitcher Danny Sergott of O'Fallon and infielder Joe Blumberg of Freeburg, gained valuable experience for the Cougars.

In 14 appearances Sergott had a 2-0 record for 37-19 SIUE, while Blumberg's utility role included an appearance in the final game. Also, the Cougars (Art Voellinger is the baseball and soccer coach at O'Fallon High School. He writes a twice-weekly column for the Journal.)



(Staff photo by T.W. MILLER)

Dustin Brewer reaches for a pitch. The Warriors ended the regular season with seven straight wins.

Maroons topple Tigers, capture sectional title

By Greg Shashack
Staff writer

Edwardsville Tigers were scattered about the right field lawn. Most sat with their head bowed, a few were on their back, staring at nothing, while one tiger buried his face in the turf.

BASEBALL

It was prep baseball's version of the Battle of Gettysburg. The Wind, some with the war casualties strewn about an Atlanta railroad.

And there were the Belleville West Maroons, fleeing town like Scarlett O'Hara while Edwardsville's baseball season went up in flames.

There wasn't a single death Monday night at the Edwardsville Sports Complex, but there was no denying the devastation and despair marrowing the faces of those Tigers and the players of a running 21-up set in the title game of the Edwardsville Class AA Sectional.

West (23-11) moved on to the Class AA state tournament in Geneva where they will play Lockport at 5:30 p.m. Friday.

The Tigers came in with a 33-3 record and had easily dispatched the Maroons in a 12-1 in their two regular-season meetings. But in this one-loss-and-you're-gone format, Edwardsville saw its season end short of the state tourney



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)
Belleville West's Ryan Davinroy limited Edwardsville to two hits in Monday's 2-1 win over the Tigers in the Edwardsville Sectional.

to which it believed it was destined.

It was the second straight plus wins were sent packing from the sectional with a 2-1 defeat. Marion did the deed in

'96. And while Edwardsville coach Tom Pile is nothing if not emotional, he sat in the dugout Monday and calmly relived his nightmare.

"It's just one of those things,

(See MAROONS, Page 3B)

Pile of discourse never lacking

Interviewing Edwardsville High School baseball coach Tom Pile is one of the most entertaining experiences a sportswriter can have.

Prior to the Tigers' Monday loss to Belleville West in the title game of the Edwardsville Class AA Sectional, I had questioned Pile on several occasions for both game stories and feature articles.

Interestingly, the conversation would begin with a question one is asked.

After Pile's Tigers beat Granite City earlier this spring, I asked the veteran coach about his pitcher's performance, where the starter's performance, I believe, is a one-line answer followed by a roving discourse on



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what's great about America. Like Oliver Wendell Douglas from "Green Acres," he could clearly hear the words and music accompanying the patriotic speech. I didn't know whether to place my hand over my heart or my ears.

On another occasion, a month or two ago, I asked Pile about the rigors of coaching at the high school level and in five short answers, he knew everything there is to know about the concession stand system at all Edwardsville home games. It was enough to make me bring my own shade and drinks. But it didn't stop me a whole lot with the feature I

(See HESTON, Page 3B)

Coolidge boys cap off perfect year

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The eighth grade track team from Coolidge Middle School finished a two-year undefeated season with a 100 percent record. The team, which won two walk-ons, pitcher Danny Sergott of O'Fallon and infielder Joe Blumberg of Freeburg, gained valuable experience for the Cougars.

Coach Ron Yates' boys crushed an 11-team field at the May 27 meet in the Madison County Conference championships in the process.

Coach Ron Yates' boys

Long Jump: 1. Justin Worthen, 18-0.

Triple Jump: 1. Marty Graham (34-10 1/2), 2. Josh Martin

(34-9 1/2). High Jump: 1. Corie Shumate (5-3), 2. Gary Reed (5-2). Shot Put: 1. David Crouch (43-1), 2. Jacob Whited (39-1).

Discus: 1. Shawn O'Dell (10-0), 2. David Crouch (11-4).

100 Hurdles: 3. Scott Crouch (15.72), 4. Kurt Munger (15.80).

100 meters: 3. Justin Worthen (12.27), 4. Kurt Munger (12.27).

400: 5. Jeff Karns (2:28.5), 6. Gerald Kurtis (2:29.5).

800 relay: 1. Justin Worthen, Shawn O'Dell, Josh Martin, Marty Graham (1:43.5).

The seventh and eighth grade girls track team, which also had two successful seasons, capped by a third (See COOLIDGE, Page 3B)

400: 1. Marty Graham (56.1, school record).

1,600: 3. Sal Ochoa (5:14.3).

200: 2. Josh Martin (24.9), 4. Justin Worthen (24.9).

1,600 relay: 2. Scott Crouch (4:00).

Tom Pieper, Kurt Munger, DeAndre Williams (4:17).

Yates called his athletes "a

group of great kids" and issued

several awards. The 100 percent award went to Tom Pieper and Kurt Munger, the Most Dedicated award went to Ron Yates, and the Most Valuable Track Athlete award went to Marty Graham.

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(See COOLIDGE, Page 3B)

Season-ending loss halts Warriors' steady surge

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The Granite City baseball team reeled off seven straight wins the last week of the regular season, finishing with a 16-10, only to fall 6-2 in the regional opener to Civic Memorial — a team the Warriors were more than capable of beating.

BASEBALL

"We should have won that game," said GCHS coach Gus Lignoul. "We had been playing very well since our doubleheader in Springfield. We had improved our game all season long and were playing our best at the end of the year."

"But in the end, as had been the case early in the year, we didn't do the little things you need to do to win."

Still, Lignoul was pleased with his team's effort, even in the final game, as the War-



Edwards Ahlvers Relleke Briggs

riors refused to quit and rallied in the final frames to put a score in the Eagles.

Outside the (Southwestern) conference we played very well," Lignoul added. "But it was a struggle within the conference. We play in a very good, very tough baseball conference. That is evident just by looking at the success of the other teams in the section."

"I think we did a good job of getting Edwardsville. You won't find much tougher competition anywhere in the state."

Lignoul is especially high on his seniors, who came up big

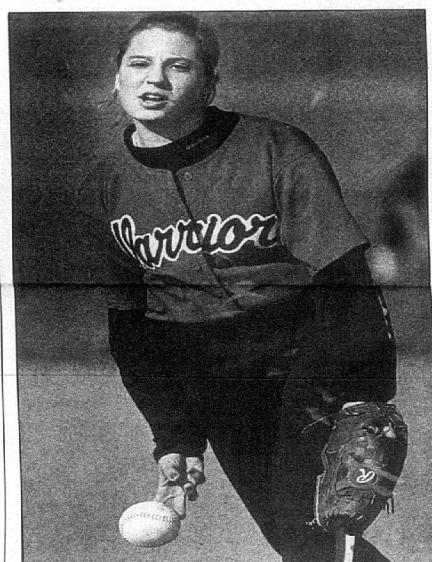
for the Warriors in game after game.

Shortstop Eric Edwards was the team leader in hits and runs and batted a solid .293 for the year.

"Eric did everything you would ever ask him to do," Lignoul said. "He was a joy to have on the team."

Pitcher Mike Ahlvers was 5-5 with a 2.60 earned run average of 2.60. Having also led the Warriors in ERA as a sophomore, Ahlvers finished his three years of varsity competition

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(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)
Freshman pitcher Jessica Stratman was 7-12 this year with 109 strikeouts.

Lady Warriors continue climb

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

A losing record can sometimes be deceiving.

The Granite City softball team's 12-17 mark this spring is such an example.

By itself, it looks somewhat dismal. But compared to records from the last two seasons, it shows consistent improvement.



Chrissie Greathouse
GCHS senior

they have, and I was disappointed that we didn't finish strong, but all in all we had a good year.

Seniors Robyn Slater, Tonia Drue, Amy Tapp, Chrissie Greathouse, Jenna Wright, Shaleri Hause, and Al Shaver closed out their careers with a disappointing loss to Civic Memorial in regional action.

Greathouse, who contributed

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STATS 'N STUFF

PREP BASEBALL

CLASS A

Alton Marquette Regional
Tuesday, May 20
Game 1: Wood River B, Valmeyer
6 Game 2: Metro East, Lutheran 23,
Lovejoy 0 (5 inn.)

Thursday, May 22
Game 3: Gibault 6, Wood River 3
Game 4: Alton Marquette B, Dupo
3 Game 5: Althoff 12, Metro East
Lutheran 2
Game 6: Roxana 12, Columbia 0
(5 inn.)

Saturday, May 24
Game 7: Gibault 5, Alton Marquette 3 (8 inn.)
Game 8: Roxana 2, Althoff 1

Tuesday, May 27
Championship: Gibault 7, Roxana
0

Marissa Sectional
Saturday, May 31
Game 1: Gibault 5, Freeburg 4 (8
inn.)
Game 2: Nashville 7, Wescil 2

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Gibault 12, Nash-
ville 4

State tournament
Friday, June 6
at Lanphier Park, Springfield
Game 1: Rock Island Allemann 3,
Stanford Olympia 2
Game 2: Addison Driscoll 10,
Tompson 7
Game 3: Olney East Richland 5,
Gibault 2

Game 4: Williamsville 4, Seneca 3

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Seneca 12, Driscoll 12,
Rock Island Allemann 2 (6 inn.)

Game 6: Williamsville 1, Olney
East Richland 0

Rock Island Allemann 3

State championship: Addison

Driscoll 8, Williamsville 6

CLASS AA

Belleville West Regional

Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Waterloo 6, East St. Louis
1 is 5
Game 2: Cahokia 12, ESL Lincoln

Tuesday, June 3
Game 3: Collinsville 10, Cahokia 0

Game 4: Belleville West 9, Water-
loo 6

Wednesday, June 4
Championship: Belleville West 12,
Collinsville 1

Granite City Regional

Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Civic Memorial 6, Gran-
ite City 2

Saturday, May 31
Game 2: Edwardsville 10, CM 0

Game 3: Alton 10, Jerseyville 0 (5
inn.)

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Edwardsville 8,
Alton 0

Centralia Regional

Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Triad 14, Centralia 13 (9

Game 4: Williamsville 4, Seneca 3

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Seneca 12, Driscoll 12,
Rock Island Allemann 2 (6 inn.)

Game 6: Williamsville 1, Olney
East Richland 0

Rock Island Allemann 3

State championship: Addison

Driscoll 8, Williamsville 6

CLASS AA

Edwardsville Sectional

Saturday, June 2
Game 1: Belleville West 10, Mar-
ion 0

Game 2: Edwardsville 5, Highland
2

Monday, June 9
Championship: Belleville West 2,
Edwardsville 1

State tournament

Friday, June 13
At Elstrop Stadium, Geneva

Game 1: Rock Island vs. Tipton

Game 2: Chicago Clemente vs.
Schaumburg 12:30 p.m.

Game 3: Mattoon vs. Winnetka

New Trier 3 p.m.

Game 4: Belleville West (23-11)
vs. Lockport (35-5), 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 14
Game 5: Granite 1 winner vs.
Game 2 winner, 9 a.m.

Game 6: Game 3 winner vs.
Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.

Third place: Game 5 loser vs.
Game 6 winner, 1 p.m.

State championship: Game 5 winner
vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

The Sonics are seeded 20th
in a field of 30 teams.

Wrestling Camp

The Southern Illinois University
at Edwardsville Cougar
Wrestling Camp will be held 9
a.m.-3 p.m. June 16-19 at
the Park District baseball
schools.

Wrestling experience is a
prerequisite for camp atten-
tance. Coaches scheduled to
work with include members of
the NCAA champion Ohio State
University, Mark Kristoff of
Cahokia High School, two-time
NCAA champion and four-time
American Bowler Board
Chairman, Bobber Board
Chairman, Kip Kristoff of Marion High
School and Larry Kristoff of
SIUE.

The camp fee is \$135. For a
registration form or more
information, call Coach Larry
Kristoff at 692-2876 or 377-5757,
or call 692-2660.

Instruction will be provided
by SIUE CHHS coaching staff
and former coaches and play-
ers. Fundamentals will be the
focus of the camp. Proper
throwing and fielding tech-
niques and catching and hitting
mechanics will be taught.

Registration is being taken at
the Park District office.

Sonics win tourney

The Z-4 Sonics 13-and-under
boys basketball team, with
players from Granite City, Col-
linsville, Dupo and Marine,
recently won the AAU Ozark
Regional 16-and-under tournament
in Farmington, Mo.

With the win, the team
advanced to the AAU national
championships for the third
consecutive year. The national
tournament will be held June
28-July 6 in Memphis, Tenn.

Ellks '86 tryouts

The Granite Elks 1986 girls
softball team will hold tryouts
for players born Aug. 1, 1985
through July 31, 1986. The try-
outs will be at 5 p.m. July 7, 9
and 14 at the Belleville Area
College Campus in Granite
City.

All candidates must arrive
wearing white shirts and shin
guards, and bring a size 10
soccer ball. For more information,
call 931-3053 or 931-8207.

LCCC tennis
Lewis & Clark Community
College will hold tryouts for
the women's tennis team 1-3 p.m.
a.m.-noon Saturday, June 7 at
the tennis courts on campus.

Scholarships are available.

For more information, call
coach Gene Harsprung at
463-5411, ext. 4734.

Cougars tryouts
The Cougars Soccer Club of
Florissant, Mo., will hold try-
outs July 1-2 at the United
Cougars field and July 7-8 at
Hazelwood Junior High.

Individual team tryouts are
as follows: 6-7:30 p.m. July
1 for U-9, U-10 and U-12 boys
and U-9, U-10 and U-12 girls; 7:30-9
p.m. July 1 for U-16 boys and

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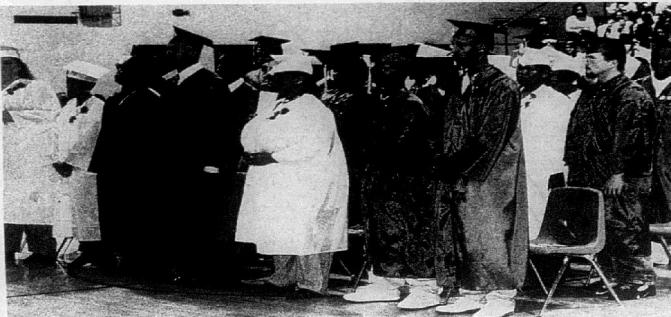
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SCHOOL NEWS

Entering the 'real world'



Seniors from Madison and Granite City High Schools were among those participating in commencement exercises last Friday evening. Above, the Madison High School class of 1997 stands to hear the national anthem, sung by Lucette Brooks ... At left, GCHS co-vedaledictorian Sangeeta Kumar delivers her address

Above, Stephanie Arbo-gast receives the Principal's Trophy from GCHS Principal William Rotter for graduating with a grade point average over 5.0 ... At right, Tywansley Pattin speaks to his fellow Madison High School graduates

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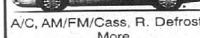


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ANNIVERSARY



Hoef

Charles and Freda Granite City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 25, 1997. There was a quiet dinner at home for the couple and Freda's sister and law, Mary and Jim Edwards. There were also helpers, including Wesely Sedor, attendants at Charles and Freda's wedding.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoefel



Hoefel celebrate 50th anniversary

Charles and Freda Hoefel of Granite City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, May 25, 1997, with a banquet dinner at the Moose Lodge in Alton, given by Freda's sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Wesley Sedek.

Charles and Freda were the attendants at Charles and Freda's wedding.

Charles Hoefel and the for-

mer Freda Harrell Johnson were married May 24, 1947, at Concordia Lutheran Church in Granite City, where they are still members, by the Rev. A.O. Gebauer. Freda belongs to the Ladies Aid of Concordia Lutheran.

Charles Hoefel retired May 29, 1988, from the Granite City Army Depot (Melvin Price Support Center) as a ware house superintendent. He is a veteran of World War II. Freda also worked at the Depot as

a packer for eight years before retiring to be a homemaker.

They had one son, Terry Johnson, who is deceased. They also have a son, Phillip Johnson and his wife, Lisa, of Granite City, and Wesley Johnson and his wife, Kathy, of Fairview Heights; three granddaughters, Theresa Bergbrader and husband Jeff, Jennifer Johnson of Granite City; and six great-grandchildren.

ENGAGEMENTS



Cynthia Miller and Mickey Holmes

Miller-Holmes



Amanda Witter and Kevin Wilson



Garry Barker and Melinda Henry

Henry-Barker

Cynthia Ann Miller, daughter of Edward and the late Patricia Miller of Granite City, and Mickey E. Holmes, son of James and Elaine Holmes of Granite City and Phyllis Teller of Vienna, Austria, announced their engagement.

Miller is employed by RKS Products of St. Peters, Mo., as a shipping supervisor.

Holmes is employed by Olin Brass of East Alton as a cast-

er. A July 14, 1997, wedding at Treasure Island Chapel in Las Vegas is being planned.

Amanda June Witter, daughter of Robert and Ruth Henry of Edwardsville, and Garry Wayne Barker, the son of Gary Barker of Glen Carbon and Patricia Barker of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Witter is a recent graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Witter is currently a full-time employee at RP Lumber in Troy while continuing his education.

A Sept. 27, 1997, wedding is being planned.

Melinda Rose Henry, the daughter of Robert and Ruth Henry of Edwardsville, and Garry Wayne Barker, the son of Gary Barker of Glen Carbon and Patricia Barker of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Henry of Edwardsville, is a graduate of Edwardsville High School and is attending Saint Louis University. Barker, of Glen Carbon received his GED and is self-employed.

They plan to marry June 7 at the Maryville Assembly of God Church.

WEDDINGS

Holiday-Miskell



Ann M. Miskell and Charles E. Holiday III

Ann M. Miskell and Charles E. Holiday III were married Nov. 29, 1996, at St. Boniface Catholic Church by Father Corredato.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Lorrene Miskell of Granite City. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in management and marketing and is employed by Tri-Cor Industries Inc. of Fallon as a marketing specialist.

The groom is the son of Charles and Connie Holliday of New Carlisle, Ohio, and Mount DeSales, Ga. Warner Robins, Ga. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in management information systems and is employed by EDS of St. Louis as a computer consultant.

Christy Willhausen of St. Louis, friend of the bride, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Kay Miskell, sister-in-law of the bride, and Lisa Jones, Margy Held and Shannon Norris, all friends of the bride. The junior bridesmaids were Aubrie Miskell, niece of the bride, and Stephanie Holliday, sister of the groom.

Andrew Holliday of New Carlisle, Ohio, brother of the groom, was the best man. The groomsmen were Steve Teipe and Michael Beatty, friends of the bride.

The ringbearer was Zachary Miskell, great-nephew of the bride.

A reception was held at Troy Center.

Following a wedding trip to Ocho Rios Jamaica, the couple now resides in Maryville.

DeWeese-Griffith



Mary Griffith and Eric Lester DeWeese

Mary Charlene Griffith and Eric Lester DeWeese were married May 9, 1997, at Père Marquette State Park by Rev. Dr. Lewis Trotter.

The bride is the daughter of Marilyn and Frank Griffith of Granite City. A graduate of Granite City High School, she is employed by Bernard & David Law Firm of Granite City.

The groom is the son of Shirley and Lester DeWeese of Granite City. A graduate of Granite City High School, he is employed by St. Louis Metalizing Company of St. Louis.

The flower girls were Alysa Burton and Morgan Carney.

Billy Senecyn was the ring bearer. A reception was held at The Polish Hall in Madison.

BIRTHS

Haug, Allison Danielle

DAN AND ALYCE HAUG of Granite City, Mo., formerly of Granite City, have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Allison Danielle was born April 25, 1997, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Jefferson City, Mo., at 8:22 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Allison joins, Abigayle LeAnn, 2, who was born in Granite City May 2, 1995.

Paternal grandparents are Jack and Betty Haug of Granite City. Maternal grandparents are Don and Marge Mason of McPherson, Kan.

Great-grandparents are Myra Grotz and Vivian Haug both of Granite City.

Gall, Johnathan Darrell

DARRELL AND LISA GALL of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Johnathan Darrell was born at 11:53 a.m. April 2, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and joins Aimee and Lynsay.

The maternal grandparents are Richard and Sharon Krieshok of Madison.

Phyllis Grotz of Granite City and the late Leonard Gall and Virginia Sutcliffe are the paternal grandparents.

Schultz, Madelyn Renee

TAYLOR AND LORI SCHULTZ of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Madelyn Renee was born at 11:35 p.m. April 2, 1997, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis. She weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and joins Kaitlin, 2.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Koke's bar is the result of vision

By Alene Hill
Correspondent

When Eddie Shaiboon, the newly hired manager, first walked into Koke's on the corner of 45th and Cookson streets in Fairmont City, he began formulating "a vision." "It felt cold. There are plenty of windows, but I knew where to begin," he said.

He began by painting the walls a warm golden yellow and a deep orange-red, adding half brick walls, and throwing out the lights and signs.

"The wild movie posters and Remington replicas we kept. They're conversation pieces," he said.

The old bar, he said, is original from the days when it was owned by Koke's.

John Suanz bought the bar about eight years ago from the original owners and put in additional seating.

After the eight months Suanz was here as manager, he still has interior projects to complete — a meeting room and banquet room.

But with summer here, he is looking to his outdoor seating back, and additional outdoor seating in the spacious patio area.

"It's a step-by-step project," he said. "It takes a long time

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to do, and do right."

Shaiboon was working as manager at La Sala in downtown St. Louis when he was offered the job at Koke's.

"I was offered the job as a dishwasher," he said. "I learned the bar and how to cook good Mexican food. I ran the kitchen."

Finally, Shaiboon was offered the manager position for a three-month trial period, a job he kept until resigning last November after he decided it was time for a change.

"I was standing still," Shaiboon said. "I was stale. But the more I thought of this, the more I saw it as a great chance."

Shaiboon developed a passion for cooking while growing up in St. Louis.

"I was one of six children. I don't go out to eat much," he said. "In the kitchen I could watch my mother."

He studied acting in Tel Aviv and then came to the United States.

"I was 26, didn't know anybody and knew only a little English," he said. "So I washed dishes for \$2.25 per hour. It was hard work but it

paid off."

He met his wife in the accounting office at La Sala. The couple live in St. Louis with their two boys.

When he's home, he enjoys cooking his native Middle Eastern cuisine. When he relaxes, he can be found on a golf course.

Along with changing the atmosphere at Koke's, Shaiboon is changing the menu. He will keep the standard favorites — hamburgers, pizza, Italian beef, chicken, cod fish, an array of appetizers.

But there are other types of steaks. New items include Mexican selections with the distinctive recipes that Eddie has perfected over the years.

"You learn to make something — the recipe," he said. "But you add your own touches. This is a very creative business."

Koke's also serves imported and domestic beers and wines.

Lunch and dinner are served daily except on Monday. Hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Sunday's hours are 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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WINNER'S, 9501 Collinsville Road, Collinsville: Tuesday — karaoke night with Steve Brandes; Wednesday — DJ, with Steve Brandes; and Saturday — live music. Call 345-2111 to see who's playing.

DAVE'S CAPPUCCINO, 115 N. Bluff Road, Collinsville: Thursday — open mic night; Friday — Me and The Boys and Saturday — David White. *****

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Eddie Shaiboon in the bar at Koke's.

Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

"ANATOMICALLY SPEAKING" By LEONARD SUGIMAN ACROSS

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How'd they do that?

Special Effects exhibit explores movie magic

By Glen Sparks
Staff writer

In the 1933 movie classic, "King Kong," the simian star took off with Fay Wray, made a mess in Manhattan and battled a swarm of fighter planes from atop the Empire State Building.

Pretty impressive for an 18-inch-tall monkey, right? Animator Willis O'Brien manipulated the Kong model just a little bit at a time. He and other special effects artists created special-little-life effects for a movie that remains one of the most popular of all time.

Film fans of all ages can learn more about King Kong and more movie magic in "Special Effects," a hands-on exhibit that runs through Aug. 31 at the St. Louis Science Center, 5550 Oakland Ave.

The world of special effects includes an assortment of mind-boggling optics, animatronics, computer-generated images, makeup and sound.

"We want visitors to have fun and to learn something with this," says Donna Northcott, St. Louis Science Center's education manager.

"Also, we think people will come away with a greater appreciation for what special effects do."

Inside the 6,000-foot Exploradome exhibit area, visitors can get a close-up glimpse of movie magic.

It appears to be a combat zone in there at first glance. Children are bleeding, battered and black and blue. None of that cuts, bruises and wounds hurt a bit, though. Hey, it's the movie.

Or this particular sequence. Bill Anderson is putting the finishing touches onto the side of one young man's face.

Anderson is a chemistry teacher and wrestling coach at St. Louis University High School who is working as an exhibit volunteer this summer.

"I wanted to do something for the summer that had to do with science, but I wanted to have some fun with it, too," Anderson says. "It does look a little scary in there."

Anderson has models heads that show the transformation of comedian Robin Williams into an elderly woman for the movie.

hit comedy, "Mrs. Doubtfire."

To please all the monster fans, the Science Center also has model heads from alien stars of "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine," and "Return of the Jedi," too.

One of the most popular creature features at the exhibit is the brontosaurus, Monica DeVertebrate, from the old "Dinosaurs" television program. Kids can hop on the stone-beast and move her head by pulling the reins. A blue screen stands in the background.

Blue-screening helps special effects artists create a composite shot of a studio scene and a real-life scene.

A camera taping the scene at the Science Center gives the illusion of a dinosaur ride in Venice Beach, Calif., or all places.

In another part of the exhibit, children are up to their foreheads in a salt shaker and sand box, trying to scale a wall of the sci-fi classic, "The Incredible Shrinking Man" or the 1988 hit, "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids."

Through blue-screen photography, visitors can see a giant cockroach is creeping up on the kids.

"But he's not very scary roach," Northcott says.

Other visitors are "climbing" a building nailed to the floor. The camera angle turns this horizontal scene to vertical.

Confused? Well, remember the old "Batman" TV show?

The caped crusader supposedly would climb "the ropes" of buildings, similar to scale a building and then be greeted by Sammy Davis Jr., Eva Gabor or another guest star — all the while really walking up the side of the building.

This exhibit is built along those lines. Sans the super heroes and guest stars, "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" and the chance to animate a miniature Indiana.

Press a button and the action is informed with a scene from the Indiana mini-movie chase scene from the 1984 blockbuster.

"Special Effects" also has props and miniatures from "Aliens 3," "Empire Strikes Back," "The Fly" and other hit films.

'Special Effects' produces local 'Walk of Fame'

The Special Effects exhibit at St. Louis Science Center includes a local version of the famous Walk of Fame along Hollywood Boulevard. Among the former St. Louisans who made it big in movie entertainment:

1. Kathryn Adams (silent screen actress)
2. Scott Bakula (actor)
3. Joe Besser (comedian)
4. Bert Convy (game show host)
5. Phyllis Diller (comedian)
6. Buddy Ebsen (actor)
7. Redd Foxx (comedian)
8. James Francis (actor)
9. John Goodman (actor)
10. Betty Grable (actress)
11. Robert Guillaume (actor)
12. Kevin Kline (actor)
13. Marsha Mason (actress)
14. Virginia Mayo (actress)
15. Agnes Moorehead (actress)
16. Vincent Price (actor)
17. Shelly Winter (actress)
18. Robert Zemeckis (director)

Memorabilia from box-office duds are here, too. A minature from "Rockatalk" is part of the traveling exhibit collection.

There's even a model fish from "A River Runs Through It." And, "A Star is Born" didn't get real big in real life. Yes, just about everything is a special effect.

Technicians from the California Institute of Science and Industry in Los Angeles put together "Special Effects." It's booked through the year 2000 at science centers across the country.

This is the second time the St. Louis Science Center has hosted a special effects exhibit.

It probably will not be the last time.

"You're still just barely scratching the surface with special effects," Northcott says. "There's so much that goes into making movies. It really is amazing."



English teacher Cathy Webb with Young Author winners Brittney Bulva, guest speaker Joy Pratt, Jonathan Cavin and Brittany Kult

Young Author winners named by Holy Cross

Andy Marti won first place at the Holy Family School Young Authors contest.

Jonathan Cavin took second and Brittney Bulva and Sarah Whitecotton tied for third in the competition. Brittany Kult was named alternate in the contest sponsored by English teacher, Mrs. Cathy Webb.

Cavin, Bulva and Kult then attended the

Madison County Young Authors Conference April 26 in Collinsville, sponsored by Regional Superintendent Harry Briggs and his staff.

Kristen Joy Pratt, who had a book published at the age of 12, was the alternate in the conference. Students attended mini-sessions in the morning and had a chance to share their books with other area students and teachers.

Two from here participate in education conference

Berta Milianis and Lucille Caban, retired, of the Granite City School District, participated in a three-day conference of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals April 13-16.

The event was sponsored by the Will County Association of Educational Office Personnel at the Starved Rock Convention Lodge in Utica. The conference theme was "Pioneer Days." There were now 1,000 members.

"Butch" Cotter, superintendent of Seneca High School, was the keynote speaker of the conference. His pre-

sentation was "The Real Story of the Office War."

Workshops included office-related topics such as communication skills, stress management, correct ergonomics and the Internet, as well as networking sessions.

IAEOP is the only state association for educational office personnel in Illinois. The organization is dedicated to providing professional growth opportunities for its members and continues to work toward increased recognition for educational staff members as

partners on the educational team.

IAEOP recognizes the unique role of educational office professionals and their important contributions to the profession. The prestige, status, and credibility of IAEOP are enhanced by its affiliation with the National Association of Educational Office Professionals.

Berta Milianis has been with the Granite City School District for 25 years and serves in data processing.

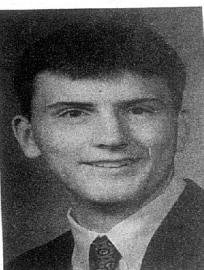
Worthen PTA awards 2 scholarships

The Worthen Elementary School PTA Association has awarded the Agnes P. Fryntzko Scholarship.

The winners are Vincent Willaredt and Chad Kleindorfer. Both of the recipients attended Worthen Elementary School from kindergarten through the sixth grade. Both are members of the National Honor Society and are involved in numerous high school clubs and activities. Both are attending Illinois State University in the fall.

The Agnes P. Fryntzko Scholarships were presented by Mrs. McDonnell at the May 15 PTA meeting at Worthen Elementary.

The students will also be recognized at senior awards night by Agnes P. Fryntzko, the first principal of Parkview/Worthen School.



Vincent Willaredt



Chad Kleindorfer

June activities at Cahokia Mounds

Archaeological excavations, an observance of the Summer Solstice sunrise, dance performances and guided tours highlight June activities at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

Dr. Melvin Fowler, of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and a crew of excavators will work from June 16 through the end of July for evidence of another Woodhenge at Cahokia. Fowler believes that large posts at Cahokia found before 1900 during the late 1980s are associated with another of these post-circles.

Testing in recent years has indicated other possible post locations and this summer's project will include a search for additional evidence of the posts. Visitors may observe the project while the field work is in progress.

Start off the day on Sunday, June 22, with an observance of the Summer Solstice sunrise at the reconstructed Woodhenge about a half mile west of Monks Mound. Observers should arrive by 5:20 a.m. to hear an explanation of the discovery, form and significance of the Woodhenge, a large circle of posts that was used as a sun calendar by the Mississippian Indians.

The Cahokia Dancers, a non-native group, will present free interpretive Indian dances on Sunday, June 22 at 2 p.m.

The Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, administered by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, is near Collinsville off Interstate 70 and 250 on Collinsville Road. It is open daily from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. A \$2 admission fee is charged, although a discount of \$1 for adults and \$1 for children is suggested. Call (618) 346-5160 for more information or a calendar of Events.

Talks on substance abuse, sobriety scheduled at SEMC

St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Behavioral Health System will present a talk on "Chemical Dependency and the Medical Seduction" at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17.

This talk will be given by Warren Neal of the Behavioral Health System. St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Behavioral Health System will present a talk on "Benefits of Sobriety and Early Recovery" at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24.

Both talks will be presented in the Medical Center in Granite City and are free and open to the public.

Call the Resource Center at (618) 789-3888 to register or for more information.

Tate joins BAC

Deborah Tate of Belleville has joined Belleville Area College as an accounts receivable clerk in the college's Business Office.

Previously with the Business Office, Tate had been a student worker in the Registrar's Office. She is pursuing an associate of science degree, both in accounting.

Before returning to college with her husband, Lonnie, Tate had worked for National Supermarkets for 20 years as a service representative and cashier.

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